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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6586

BILL NUMBER: SB 143

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 15, 2005

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Explanation of Proposed Constitutional Amendments.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Dillon

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: The bill requires the Attorney General to prepare a neutral summary of any proposed state constitutional amendment. The bill requires the Attorney General to distribute a copy of the summary to various entities and post the summary on the Attorney General's Internet web site not later than 60 days before the election at which the proposed amendment is submitted to the voters. The bill requires a copy of the summary to be posted at each polling place.

Effective Date: July 1, 2006.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Summary:* The preparation and distribution of constitutional amendment summaries would likely require additional administrative time of the Attorney General and the Election Division. Both agencies would be able to carry out these additional responsibilities with existing resources and staff.

Background Information: At the end of FY 2005, the Attorney General reverted \$46,010 and the Election Division reverted \$48,445.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: County election boards would need to forward copies of amendment summaries to precinct inspectors. County election boards would be able to accomplish this provision with existing resources and staff.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Attorney General, Election Division.

Local Agencies Affected: County election boards.

Information Sources: State Budget Agency: *FY 2005 General and Rainy Day Fund Summaries*.

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